## **Making Progress**

## Blackalicious

We keep embellishin upon a new uncharted path Expressin what we see and how we comprehend the math So there's enough for everyone we gotta make it last We gotta make it last..

As I embark on life's journey from the point where I'm at Peace to everyone I know or who I go way back wit Every pimp every mack, every gangsta to jack Every hustler feedin babies, anybody pro-black Every sister raisin kids without the help of a dad Wantin for they children all the things that they never had All the brothers handlin business even though shit's hard Wakin up at five A.M., holdin down three jobs All my rasta brethern gettin insight from trees To my brothers up in college gettin Ph.D's Or any other degree, even if you just read For mental health, see you're concious that your mind is free All my people locked down, for your past mistakes Mentally and spiritually, dwellin past the gates You could change your ways, elevate today To all recovered alcoholics chillin up in AA Every black-owned business, keep doin for self Helpin out the community and spreadin the wealth Understand that help ain't gonna come from nowhere else Revolutionaries makin the unjust get dealth wit Head on black people got to meet the task Educate, keep learnin, gotta question, ask! And let your light keep shinin and remember the past By any means necessary, we'll be free at last

As I embark on life's journey from the point where I'm at Peace to everybody strivin to live right and exact Even though anxieties try to pull you down See your troubles as a blessin and you're homeward bound Everybody gotta struggle, that's the way of the world Can't develop biceps if you don't do curls Can't achieve a a garden if you never water your crops If you never paid your dues, then you don't get props Couldn't eat a proper meal without cookin it first Can't receive a paycheck if you don't do work If it wasn't for the rain, then the trees won't grow When the spring came around, what a sight to bestow When you face adversities, dark clouds won't last If you never study, how do you expect to pass? The grasshoppers laid around while the ants did chores When the winter came around, he was left outdoors See the cycle keeps moving like a big machine Evolution of the mind, soul body and being God'll never put upon you more than you can take Sometimes you even gotta learn from OTHER people's mistakes So head on black people got to meet the task Educate, keep learnin, gotta question, ask! And let your light keep shinin and remember the past By any means necessary, we'll be free at last